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# Knothole

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### Get the Most Out Of Your Textbook Budget

(NU) - First-year college students may experience "sticker shock" this fall when they find that textbooks aren't "free" the way they were in high school. Buying books is a change that challenges students' budgets. But the hurdles can be overcome.

College bookstores are working closely with students and faculty to enhance the value of course materials, instead of simply taking money and ringing up sales.

The National Association of College Stores (NACS) offers these suggestions for maximizing your textbook dollar:

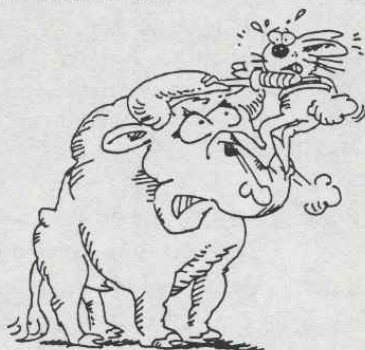
- Attend class before buying books. Ask the instructor: Are the books and other materials integral to the course or just support for lectures? Are exam questions taken from text material? Are these materials available in the library? Or Small Stores?

- Distinguish between "required" and "optional." Look at the shelf tag or book list; decide if you actually need to own the materials.

- Check the store's refund policy. How long do you have to return materials; can you get a refund for any reason or is a drop/add card required? If the materials are "shrink-wrapped," will the store take them back as long as they are unused?

- Look for used books. Many college bookstores offer used books at roughly 25 percent less than new book prices, in the same editions as new books.

The decision on what course materials to buy — or what not to buy — is strictly yours. For more information, contact your local college store or NACS, 500 East Lorain St., Oberlin, OH 44074.



Take the bull by the horns....

### Calendar of Events

Monday, August 29

Undergraduate Student Association (USA) Meeting. 5:30 pm, Moon Conference Room.

Wednesday, August 31

**Knothole Organizational Meeting.** 6:30 pm, 22 Bray Hall. For more information, contact Heather Engelman, 470-6577 or 478-4289.

Friday, September 9

**The First Thank Goodness It's Friday** get together with your hosts, Alpha Xi Sigma. 4:30 pm, Nifkin Lounge (Marshall hall basement). Bring a mug!! Proof of age required for alcoholic beverages.

Tuesday, September 20

Club and Organization **Presidents' Roundtable.** 5:30 pm, Nifkin Lounge.

Saturday, September 24

**Family/Friends Weekend**

Saturday, October 1

**Revised Club/Organization constitutions** are due to the Office of Activities and Organizations (110 Bray Hall).

## Welcome/ Welcome Back





**Business Manager**  
Heather Engelman

**Layout/Design/Copy**  
Jim Sahn

**Typists**  
Suni Edson

**You should be on this staff!!!**

**Printer**  
Steve Darrow

**Advisor**  
Pat Lawler

#### **Policy/Deadline**

The Knothole is the student publication of the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry. It is published every Wednesday during the school year. **The deadline for submitting pieces for publication is WEDNESDAY at 4:00pm on the week before they are to appear. On disk, the deadline is THURSDAY at 12 noon.**

Letters to the Editor will not be printed unless they are signed. Articles must also contain the writer's name (names will be withheld upon request). The opinions expressed are those of the writer only and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the paper's staff or anyone else affiliated with the College. We strongly encourage any counterinterviews, articles, notices, suggestions, and new staff members. The Knothole staff meets in Room 22 in the basement of Bray on a to be determined evening. Phone: 470-6892.

**The First Issue will be published September 14.**

## HELP WANTED

Macintosh-based Weekly Student Newspaper seeking individuals to make team oriented staff. All positions carry the same basic benefits: improved writing and typing skills, proficiency in desktop publishing (imagine how impressive you can make all your papers!!!), and the BRAND NEW option to earn 1-3 credits!! We ask that all staff assist in writing editorial commentary and proofreading.

The following jobs are available:

**Typists:** Manage the flow of incoming articles. Translate disk submissions to usable formats (if necessary). Assist Editor-in-chief in other duties.

**Copy editor:** Proofread and correct hard/soft copies of submissions. Familiarity with microsoft word useful. Excellent spelling and grammar skills of great import.

**News editor:** Solicit articles. Some writing, typing, necessary. Familiarity with inverted pyramid style helpful, as is experience with Microsoft Word.

**Cartoonist(s):** Submit weekly or bi-weekly "funnies" done in pen and ink. Occasionally provide doodles on demand.

**Distribution manager(s):** Pick up papers and deliver 700-800 issues and deliver portions thereof to ESF and SU locations.

**Contest Manager:** Coordinate annual Pizza Extravaganza and Creativity Contests. Solicit contributions and nominations, arrange for judges, ensure established criteria are met for submissions.

**Reporters:** Write about news topics of interest to campus community. Responsible to News Editor and Editor (or Advisor) for assignments.

**Columnists:** Write about a special interest or speciality on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. Responsible to Editor-in-Chief.

**Editor-in-Chief:** Coordinate staff, organize layout, update and produce Guide to Submissions, delegate. Responsible for finished product;

Familiarity with PageMaker, Microsoft Word, Photoshop (or similar desktop publishing, word processing, scanning packages) and good people and organizational skills beneficial.



**To apply, Come to the Organizational meeting Wednesday, August 31, 6:30 pm, 22 Bray Hall, or contact: Mr. Pat Lawler, LLRC, 9-1 Moon Library (470-6914, downstairs, next to computer room), or Heather Engelman, B-7 Marshall (470-6577, basement, office next to west-end stairwell).**